

CLASSIFICATION OFFICE DECISION

Title of publication: gar-10-dmm.ram

Other known title(s): Not stated

OFLC ref: 1100624.003

Medium: Computer Moving Image File

Director: Not stated

Producer: Not stated

Country of origin: Not stated

Language: Not stated

Applicant: The District Court at Manukau

Classification:	Objectionable.
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Excisions: No excisions recommended

Descriptive note: None

Display conditions: None

Date of entry in Register: 28 July 2011

Date of direction to issue a label: No direction to issue a label has been issued

	Components	Running time
Timed component(s):	gar-10-dmm.ram	7:38
Total running time:		7:38

Summary of reasons for decision:

The computer moving image file is deemed to be objectionable because it promotes and supports the use of violence to compel any person to participate in, or submit to, sexual conduct.

The clip presents brutal sexual violence for the sexual arousal of viewers. Viewers, presumed to be men, are invited to identify with male dominance and power, and enjoy the woman's helplessness as she is forced to submit to rape. Such material encourages attitudes that contribute

to sexual violence.

The classification of this publication interferes with the right to freedom of expression set out in the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990. However, this is an outcome that is consistent with Parliament's intention and is a reasonable limitation on the freedom of expression. The classification reflects the concern of a free and democratic society to protect women from sexual violence.